

## Most Precious Blood Roman Catholic Parish

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## Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## **Sunday Eucharist**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

## Reconciliation

Saturday: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Also by appointment.

#### **Baptisms**

Celebrated during the Masses on the 1st Sunday of each month. Please call the office.

#### Marriage

Contact Father Greg one year in advance to book an appointment.

## Sunday Friends

Every Sunday from September to June during the 11:15 a.m. Mass.

## **Vocations**

If you are discerning a call to Priesthood, permanent deaconate or religious life, please contact Father Greg at the parish office.

## **Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Father Gregory J. Bonin, Pastor Rev. Mr. Frank Lepain, Deacon Mrs. Christine Coyle, Coordinator of Youth Ministry Mrs. Liz Desmarais, Secretary Mrs. Carol Lemire, Custodian / Maintenance Manager

Dear Parishioners,

<u>I encourage everyone</u> to make the time to read Bishop Fabbro's Pastoral Letter on the Year of Consecrated Life found in today's bulletin. This past Advent, Pope Francis inaugurated the Year of Consecrated Life, which will conclude on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. In his Pastoral Letter, Bishop Fabbro gives a very inspiring testimony of himself based on the experiences that he had in his own religious congregation, the Basilian Fathers.

This coming Tuesday, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Blaise. Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day because of the Blessing of the Throats that took place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him. Throats will be blessed during the 7:00 p.m. Mass this Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Next weekend, February 8<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate The International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. Our Social Justice Committee members wishes to take a few minutes to reflect on this serious situation that affects many men, woman and children in our world. May our efforts support the end to this scourge against the dignity of all persons. Father Greg

## Earish Mission Statement

CENTERED IN CHRIST, WE ARE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY SHARING OUR TALENTS AND GOODNESS, JOYFULLY CELEBRATING AND REACHING OUT TO ALL.



## MASS INTENTIONS February 2<sup>nd</sup> – February 6<sup>th</sup>

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday 7 PM - 2014 Deceased Members of CWL

-Joseph & Paola Lascak - Family

- Santa Terziani - Bortola Santarossa

Wed. 8:30 AM - Bob Smith - Don & Shirley Matthews

-Lorraine Martin (6th Ann.) - Norma

- Stanley Charles MacDonell - Paul & Ann

Thurs. 8:30 AM - Edgar Arsenault - Mary Joudry

-Louis Arsenault - Mary Joudry

- Suzanne Marshall - Larry & Mary Martin

Friday 8:30 AM - Theresa & Donald Dietrich - Yablonsky

Fam

-Florence MacDonald - Anne MacDonald

- Intentions of Irene Lang - Bruce &

Georgette



Mon. Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7 PM Youth Group

Tues. Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7:30 PM CWL

Wed. Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> - 1 PM Intercessory Prayer

- K of C Ex. Mtg.

-7:30 PM Prayer Group

Thurs. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> - 1 PM Quilters

-6 PM Choir

- 7 PM RCIA

- 7 PM Shroud Volunteer Mtg.

Fri. Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> - 9 AM Adoration

- 1 PM Rosary Unborn

- 7 PM Youth Dance

Sat. Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> - K of C Pig Roast

## **Youth Ministry Update**

Youth group this Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> will be for grades 5/6. Youth gatherings begin at 7 and end at 8:30pm. Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> will be for all grades (5-8). There is a youth dance on Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 7-10pm. The cost is \$5 at the door and snacks are extra. The theme will be Valentine's ... so be sure to wear any red or pink this evening. There is a family/youth ski trip to Boler Mountain. Forms have been given out at youth group. We need to get at least 40 participants on the bus in order to go on this adventure. The cost for the day is \$70 with no ski lesson and/ or \$75 with a ski lesson. This includes: bus Ski rentals, ski lift and a brown bag lunch on that day.

#### **Lenten Youth Stations of the Cross**

We are looking for some young people who love the "arts" to help out with this year's Youth Stations of the Cross . If your young person loves to draw, sing, dance or writes poetry please see Christine or email (ccoyle@dol.ca) or call (519)948-4133. We need at least 14 young people to get this idea off the ground.

## **Heart of Worship Hour of Adoration**

This past Monday we had about a dozen people join us in an hour of praise & worship during Adoration. Thank you to Josh Topolie for leading us. The next Heart of Worship Hour will be on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:45-7:45pm. This hour is open to everyone, but is geared for teens/young adults.

### **Grade 8 Living Stones Creative Contest**

The Diocese of London is inviting all Grade 8 students in the Diocese to participate in this year's Living Stones Challenge. This includes Grade 8's that go to Catholic and/ or Public schools. Living Stones is a Creative Composition Challenge that invites the students to create an artistic or written response to a question about the participation in the life of the church. Christine has the parish package that fully explains the Challenge. If your grade 8 would like to take on this challenge, please contact Christine as soon as possible. The deadline is the end of May 2015. You can contact Christine by email at <a href="mailto:ccoyle@dol.ca">ccoyle@dol.ca</a>. Last year's winners won a tablet and other prizes.

#### First Reconciliation

Please keep the children and their families who are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in your prayers this week as they prepare to learn all about God's mercy and the amazing gift that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is to us as Catholics.

## FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE FOR PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS: Deadline for concerns due Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>

CPSO has announced that a revised draft policy has now been approved, with the new title "Professional Obligations and Human Rights." The College is seeking input from the public prior to final approval of their policy.

This revised draft raises serious ethical concerns about a physician's freedom of conscience. The policy would no longer protect physicians who refuse to make a referral if it violates their own conscience, when for example, matters such as abortion, reproduction and end-of-life care are involved.

Bishop Fabbro encourages us to read the draft policy found on our information desk and make your concerns known to CPSO.

Submissions can be mailed to College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario 80 College St.

Toronto, ON M5G 2E2

**Attentions: Policy Department** 

#### CHURCH CHUCKLE

One particular four-year-old prayed and forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets.

## OFFERTORY GIFTS

Last week the collection was \$5,022.60
Direct Deposit(avg. per week) \$1,125.00
Total Collection \$6,147.60

Building fund collection last week was \$190.00

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Building fund collection year to date is \$1,464.00

Thank you for your generosity

#### DID YOU KNOW??

There are more hungry people in the world than the combined populations of Canada, the U.S. and Europe.

## ST. VALENTINE EVENT

Our parish is hosting an evening for couples on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. It begins with Mass at 7pm followed by a talk given by Jason Carruthers at 7:30pm. He will speak on The Sacrament of Marriage – It's Pains, Sacrifices and Hopes. A light social will follow and babysitting will be provided. All are invited. Please call Charlotte at 519-238-1574 or the parish office at 519-948-4133 to register.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PIG ROAST

The Knights are hosting their annual Pig Roast Dinner on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are available after all masses on the weekend and in the office during the week. Prices are: Pork \$17.50 or Chicken \$15.00

### JUNIOR/SENIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for the 2015-2016 school year is from February 9-20, 2015. A system-wide Open House/Evening Registration is planned for Wed., February 11<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm at your local school.

Parents are asked to contact their local school to register. At registration, parents will be asked to present their child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, health card and immunization record.

## 2015 Synod of Bishops Survey Questionnaire

In preparation for the 2015 Ordinary Synod of Bishops on "The Vocation and the Mission of the Family in the Church and in the Contemporary World", the Holy See is seeking the input of the whole Church.

To this end, the Canadian Bishops are providing a series of survey questions that have been adapted for use in Canada. The consultation is seeking reflections on the reality in each diocese and concrete suggestions and best practices for pastoral action. Everyone is invited to complete this survey, which is available on line at <a href="https://www.dol.ca">www.dol.ca</a> until February 15<sup>th</sup>.

The challenges facing families today are of utmost importance. I ask you to pray for the 2015 Synod and am very grateful for your participation in completing this survey.

Bishop Fabbro

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